

Abstract of the Disclosure

This application relates to a method of applying a thermally settable coating to a patterned substrate, such as an asphalt surface. The coating
5 is applied in one or more preformed thermoplastic sheets and heated *in situ* to conform the thermoplastic material to the pattern formed in the underlying substrate. In one embodiment of the invention a pattern is formed in the asphalt surface using a removable template which is impressed into the asphalt when it is in a pliable state. The pre-formed
10 sheets are then applied to the patterned surface and gradually heated. In an alternative embodiment of the invention the template is impressed into the pre-formed sheet and asphalt surface simultaneously after the sheet has been heated to a suitable temperature *in situ*. A bond reduction agent may
be used to minimize adhesion between the template and the heated
15 thermoplastic material.